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A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

It would be other than the regular and ordinary thing not to wish the season's wishes to all our friends. To-morrow is the Scotch and the American day to celebrate. To both—and to all others—we wish our best for joy and happiness. To all the best new year they have ever had is our hope and earnest desire. Yet, we add for this it will be necessary to lay aside all old year prejudices and resentments. Begin the New Year happily with peace and goodwill towards all—and "let bygones be by-gones."

FREE MEN.

Graceful Act of the Government.

A FREE PARDON.

At 11 o'clock this morning the Council of State held a meeting. In response to the numerous demands for liberty for the political prisoners, a resolution was presented asking for the liberation of the few political prisoners yet confined in Oahu Prison. The Attorney-General spoke in feeling terms and without a dissenting voice, it was voted to allow the men their liberty. Mr. P. C. Jones, we understand declined to cast a vote. The men to be liberated are: R. W. Wilcox, Jos. Clarke, J. W. Bipikane, Jno. H. Wise, J. Lilikoi Ikeole, C. T. Gulick, Major W. T. Seward and Jno. F. Bowler.

* We now feel justified in extending our hand of friendship to the Administration of the Republic of Hawaii. The liberation of the political prisoners has finished matters. Our criticism of and even opposition to existing conditions will refer in future to methods and not to men. Aloha to all of you!

TELL THE TRUTH.

The Advertiser's last of the year's song is like the dying swan's—the sweetest—but how delusive. The editorial writer understands his mission to be to cheer the champions of a losing, if not a lost cause. While Mr. Loebenstein, the pap-fed mouth piece of the administration at Hilo, says that the outcome of the revolution of 1893 must be "annexation or monarchy," and that the natives are a unit for "the monarchy" the Advertiser says that all we have to do is to wait for the election of a Republican President in the United States, when annexation will be a sure thing. One need not turn the files of the Advertiser very far back to find it saying that the present session of Congress would undoubtedly

make the annexation of Hawaii its first business. To any person acquainted with the personnel of the Senate, who has read the result of the caucus of the Republicans in the matter of the committees of that party, will soon see why the Advertiser and its supporters postponed the day of action after March 4th, 1897.

And now what are we to do during the intervening fifteen months? With a large majority of the people of these islands weary of the attempt to govern by force of arms, cannot Mr. Dole and his colleagues devise some plan for a government of and by the people?

The Advertiser, speaking of the cost of the riot of January last and the epidemic of August and September last, says:

"With two such drains upon the public purse it is very much to the credit of the Minister of Finance that he will be able to close his books to-day and say 'I have met all the current expenses, have paid off old debts, have met the expenses of the attempted revolution and the cholera and still have come within the national income.'"

This is like whistling through a garve yard. It reads like the hopefulness bred of potatoes and has no better foundation. A bad headache is sure to follow.

Any person who has not dealings with the Treasury Department knows the difficulty met in collecting accounts against the government. During the past week bills for supplies furnished in February last have been paid out of tax money collected during the current month. The loan act has been strained nearly to the breaking point to keep the army and the police forces on their feet, and we have now to face another year with impaired credit and a depleted Treasury. What good purpose can be served by hiding the facts under the bushels of twaddle which the Advertiser has been publishing from the pen of the editor pro tem.

The better way is to let the facts be known and to secure the sympathy and aid of the people of Hawaii in re-establishing confidence at home and credit abroad.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

One of the most remarkable features in the conduct of Hawaiian affairs is the absolute necessity of the Pacific Commercial Advertiser to clip the most wonderfully lying statements about affairs in the Hawaiian Islands from San Francisco papers and publish them without any explanation or denial. Does this mean that foreign papers are to be misled and caused to infer that the statements are true? We refer to the article on the taxation of opium under four headlines in yesterday's Advertiser. The Advertiser knows well the whole statement is a lie. Yet without a word of qualification or explanation it prints it and sends it abroad. Shame!!!

Again, notwithstanding Brother Castle's broad cast statements, we hear from the States that Cleveland does not favor annexation of these islands. And neither do the people of the United States under present circumstances. Cleveland is an American—a true one—and he wants fair dealing, a straight issue, and what is "of the people, by the people, ann for the people." Less than that—even in annexation matters—he will not be satisfied with.

The Miowera.

It is understood that the Miowera was delayed by towing the Strathnevis for five days but in yesterday's storm the tow rope parted and she had to leave the unfortunate vessel to whatever fate might overtake her. The delayed steamer arrived this afternoon.

Silk Parasols direct from Paris, the best ever seen in Honolulu, at B. F. Ehlers & Co.'s, Fort street.

A Cyclone.

Honolulu encountered very heavy weather last night. It was a regular gale. A cyclone struck Waikiki. The windmill of James Campbell was annihilated, over four hundred trees were felled to the ground, the fence of the Douglass premises was knocked into a cocked, hat and Captain Ross premises were severely damaged. The cyclone must have confined itself to the above mentioned limits. Honolulu felt the storm but very little damage was done. The washouts on the railroad tracks have been quite serious and the trains will not run tomorrow to Waianae.

Postponed.

Owing to the weather, the races advertised for to-morrow, New Years day, have been postponed to the 17th of January when everybody will turn out in full force.

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Timely Topics.

Honolulu, Dec. 12, 1895.

He had been in the Hawaiian Islands nearly a year. He arrived here in the latter part of January, 1895, and his fortunes had been between the "ups" and "downs." This is the first Christmas that he is to experience far from home, far from his friends and his relations. The old picture of the snow-clad hills, the merry bells of the sleigh, and the blaze of the Christmas trees is inscribed on his mind. He has made friends here in the ever sunny clime of Hawaii. His friends want him to forget the longing for the snowy country and the Christmas as he saw it, and they will offer him their presents and Christmas gifts and try to make him believe that he once more is patronized by the King of the North, Santa Claus.

To help in that noble purpose we have imported the very thing suitable for Christmas presents. This year we have made a speciality of Aluminium Ware, and we propose to present to the public something never seen here before. Aluminium Toilet Sets are the rage and fashion to-day in every part of the civilized world. They are made of pure Aluminium and will not tarnish. The Aluminium Ware looks like silver and give as much pleasure to the owner as do goods made of sterling silver. We know of no more appropriate Christmas present than a set of Combs and Brushes in Aluminium. Or a Card Receiver, a Mirror, a Cigar Stand, Ash Receiver, etc., etc. The price of these excellent goods brings them within the reach of everybody and to give a truly useful Christmas present has become easy to everyone.

While we have imported a large invoice of Aluminium Ware we have not neglected our Silver Goods; Pitchers and Plates Cocktail Shakers and Forks and Knives in the latest fashions are a special feature of our Christmas exhibition. We have all kinds of Plated Silverware of the highest degree and finish, and we invite the public to call at our store and remember the poor lonely fellows who, on Christmas eve, will feel homesick and lonely and deeply grateful for the smallest token signifying that they are not forgotten, although far away from home.

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